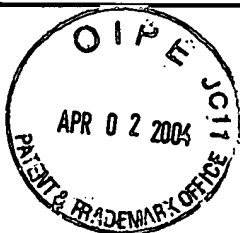


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)
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In re Application of TAFAZOLI

Application Number 10/604,674

Filed 08/08/2003

For DEVICE AND A METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE FUEL-AIR RATIO

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 3747

Examiner
 Not Assigned

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☐ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ _____
- ☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ _____
- ☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ _____
- ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ _____
- ☒ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$2010

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____.
 - ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 - ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
 - ☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
 - ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 08-3038.
- I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record.

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

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(3) Upon request, a copy of the *Notice* and the related papers were faxed to us by Mr. Wallace on March 24, 2004 (copy of fax cover letter attached).

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the Patent Office GRANT this Petition, RE-START the Mail Date of the *Notice* to March 24, 2004 and REFUND/CREDIT the Extension Fees of \$2010.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-3038.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the Petition fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 in the amount of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-3038.

Early consideration and granting of this petition is most respectfully requested. The Patent Office is encouraged to contact the undersigned in the event that the Patent Office desires to discuss any aspect of this invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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